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Periodic Reporting (Proposal Nine)

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CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 2

(Issued September 14, 2015)

To clarify the Postal Service's petition to consider a change in analytical principles, filed August 5, 2015,¹ the Postal Service is requested to provide a written response to the following question. The answer should be provided as soon as it is developed, but no later than September 21, 2015.

In Response to CHIR No. 1, the Postal Service stated "[w]hile the piece distribution costs will be different, the bundle costs will not be different...." Please confirm that the Postal Service's proposed methodology has accounted for the piece distribution costs of the residual mail on 5-Digit pallets sorted in 5-Digit bundles rather than Carrier Route bundles (calculated by the Postal Service to be 0.5 percent for FY 2014). If confirmed, please identify the specific worksheet and cell locations of the calculation of the piece distribution costs of residual 5-Digit bundles on 5-Digit pallets. If not confirmed, please explain the Postal Service's rationale for not accounting for the costs of piece distribution at the Destination Delivery Unit of residual 5-Digit bundles on 5-Digit pallets.

By the Acting Chairman.

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¹ Petition of the United States Postal Service for the Initiation of a Proceeding to Consider Proposed Changes in Analytical Principles (Proposal Nine), August 5, 2015.

² Response of the United Postal Service to Question 1 of Chairman's Information Request No. 1, August 27, 2015, question 1c (Response to CHIR No. 1).